

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 6, with the following rewritten paragraph:

A piezoelectric ceramic according to the invention includes: a composition including a first perovskite-type oxide, a second perovskite-type oxide and a tungsten bronze-type oxide, wherein the first perovskite-type oxide includes a first element including sodium (Na) and potassium (K), a second element including ~~at least niobium (Nb) selected from the group consisting of niobium and~~ optionally tantalum (Ta), and oxygen (O), the second perovskite-type oxide includes a third element including an alkaline-earth metal element, a fourth element including zirconium (Zr), and oxygen, and the content of the second perovskite-type oxide in the composition is less than 10 mol%.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 20, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Moreover, the content of the tungsten bronze-type oxide in the composition is preferably 1 mol% or less. The tungsten bronze-type oxide preferably includes a fifth element including an alkaline-earth metal element, a sixth element including ~~at least niobium selected from the group consisting of niobium and~~ optionally tantalum, and oxygen.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 4, with the following rewritten paragraph:

In addition, the composition is considered as a main component, and as a sub-component, at least one kind selected from the group consisting of elements of Groups 3 through 14 in the ~~long form of the periodic table~~ Periodic Table of the elements, more specifically manganese (Mn) is preferably included, and in addition to manganese, at least one kind selected from the group consisting of cobalt (Co), iron (Fe), nickel (Ni), zinc (Zn), scandium (Sc), titanium (Ti), zirconium (Zr), hafnium (Hf), aluminum (Al), gallium (Ga), indium (In), silicon (Si), germanium (Ge) and tin (Sn) is more preferably included.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 13, with the following rewritten paragraph:

A method of manufacturing a piezoelectric ceramic according to the invention, the piezoelectric ceramic including a first perovskite-type oxide, a second perovskite-type oxide and a tungsten bronze-type oxide, the first perovskite-type oxide including a first element including sodium (Na) and potassium (K), a second element including ~~at least niobium (Nb)~~ optionally tantalum (Ta) and oxygen (O), ~~selected from the group consisting of niobium and~~ the second perovskite-type oxide including a third element including at least one kind selected from alkaline-earth metal elements, a fourth element including zirconium (Zr) and oxygen, the method includes the step of: calcining a mixture including elements of the first perovskite-type oxide, the second perovskite-type oxide, and elements of the tungsten bronze-type oxide.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 5, line 23, with the following rewritten paragraph:

In addition, when the tungsten bronze-type oxide includes the third element including an alkaline-earth metal element, the fourth element including ~~at least niobium selected from the group consisting of niobium and~~ optionally tantalum, and oxygen, superior piezoelectric properties can be obtained.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 6, line 7, with the following rewritten paragraph:

In addition, when at least one kind selected from selected from the group consisting of elements of Groups 3 through 14 in the ~~long form of the periodic table~~ Periodic Table of the elements is included as the sub-component, the piezoelectric properties can be further improved. In particular, when manganese as an oxide is included as the first sub-component within a range of 0.1 wt% to 1 wt% inclusive relative to the main component, the sinterability can be improved, thereby the piezoelectric properties can be improved. Further, when, in addition to manganese, at least one kind selected from the group consisting of cobalt, iron, nickel, zinc, scandium, titanium, zirconium, hafnium, aluminum, gallium, indium, silicon, germanium and tin as an oxide is included as a second sub-component within a range from 0.01 wt% to 1 wt% relative to the main component in total, the piezoelectric properties can be further improved.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 11, line 20, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The piezoelectric ceramic preferably includes at least one kind selected from elements of Groups 3 through 14 in the ~~long form of the periodic table~~ Periodic Table of the elements as a sub-component in addition to the above composition as the main component. It is because the piezoelectric properties can be further improved. The sub-component may exist as an oxide in a grain boundary of the composition as the main component, or may exist by being dispersed in a part of the composition as the main component.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 13, line 24, with the following rewritten paragraph:

FIG. 2 shows a flowchart showing a method of manufacturing the piezoelectric ceramic. At first, as materials of the elements of the main component, for example, oxide powders including sodium, potassium, lithium, niobium, tantalum, an alkaline-earth metal element and zirconium are prepared as required. Further, as a material of the sub-component, for example, an oxide powder including at least one kind selected from elements of Groups 3 through 14 in the ~~long form of the periodic table~~ Periodic Table of the elements, for example, manganese, cobalt, iron, nickel, zinc, scandium, titanium, zirconium, hafnium, aluminum, gallium, indium, silicon, germanium and tin is prepared as required. As the materials of the main component and the sub-component, materials such as carbonates or oxalates which become oxides by sintering may be used instead of the oxides. Next, after these materials are sufficiently dried, the materials are weighed so that the final composition is within the above-described range (step S101).

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 16, line 23, with the following rewritten paragraph:

In addition, when the tungsten bronze-type oxide includes the fifth element including an alkaline-earth metal element, the sixth element including ~~at least niobium selected from the group consisting of niobium and~~ optionally tantalum, and oxygen, and specifically when the fifth element includes at least one kind selected from the group consisting of magnesium, calcium, strontium and barium, superior piezoelectric properties can be obtained.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 17, line 9, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Further, when at least one kind selected from elements of Groups 3 through 14 in the ~~long form of the periodic table~~ Periodic Table of the elements is included as the sub-component, the piezoelectric properties can be further improved. In particular, when manganese as an oxide is included within a range from 0.1 wt% to 1 wt% inclusive relative to the main component as the first sub-component, sinterability is improved, thereby the piezoelectric properties can be improved. Further, when, in addition to manganese, at least one kind selected from the group consisting of cobalt, iron, nickel, zinc, scandium, titanium, zirconium, hafnium, aluminum, gallium, indium, silicon, germanium and tin as an oxide is included as the second sub-component within a range from 0.01 wt% to 1 wt% inclusive relative to the main component in total, the piezoelectric properties can be further improved.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 31, line 8, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Moreover, in the above embodiment and the examples, the case where the composition of the main component includes at least sodium and potassium selected from the group consisting of sodium, potassium and lithium as the first element, ~~at least niobium selected from the group consisting of niobium and~~ optionally tantalum as the second element, at least one kind selected from alkaline-earth metal elements as the third element, at least titanium as the fourth element, at least one kind selected from alkaline-earth metal elements as the fifth element, and ~~at least niobium selected from the group consisting of niobium and~~ optionally tantalum as the sixth element is described; however, each of the first element, the second element, the third element, the fourth element, the fifth element and the sixth element may further include any other element.